

C071 C29E1

DAVI7 12/01/17 **CHILL
UNC-CH SERIALS DEPARTMENT
DAVIS LIBRARY CB# 3938
P O BOX 8890
CHAPEL HILL NC 27599-0001

The Carolina Times

THE TRUTH UNBRIDED

VOLUME 96 - NUMBER 4 DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA - SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2017 TELEPHONE (919) 682-2913 PRICE: 50 CENTS

Analysis: Trump speech shows America getting what it ordered

WASHINGTON (AP) - America is getting what it ordered on Election Day.

If anyone was expecting an evolution from Donald Trump the candidate to Donald Trump the president, never mind.

The new president delivered an inaugural address Jan. 20 that was straight from his campaign script - to the delight or dismay of different subsets of Americans.

Trump gave nods to unity and began with kind words for Barack and Michelle Obama, but pivoted immediately to a searing indictment of the status quo and the Obama years.

Presidents past have promised an American Covenant, a New Frontier, a Great Society.

Trump sketched a vision of "American carnage."

Then he promised to end it with a nationalist "America First" approach to governing.

It was a speech for Trump's supporters, but maybe not those who voted for somebody else.

When Trump told the crowd on the National Mall and watching from afar that "everyone is listening to you now" and spoke of a "historic movement the likes of which the world has never seen before," he seemed to harking back to his voters.

"At some point, there has got to be a transference to being the leader of all the people," said Connecticut Gov. Dannel Malloy, chairman of the Democratic Governors Association.

Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, though, heard "exactly the speech Trump needed to give to be the kind of president he wants to be."

"In a very workmanlike way, he was reasserting precisely the themes that had gotten him elected," Gingrich said. "He is trying to communicate how he sees the next few years from his perspective: It will basically be pitched again and again as the people vs. the establishment, and it will be constant striving to reform the system."

In his 16-minute inaugural, Trump spoke in grim terms of families trapped in poverty, shuttered factories dotting the landscape like tombstones, of rampant crime, drugs and gangs.

It was an echo of the bleak message he delivered at the Republican National Convention - and likewise short on specifics for how he will solve those problems.

His pledge to make things better came wrapped as a nostalgic paean to better days long gone.

"America will start winning again, winning like never before," the new president said. "We will bring back our jobs. We will bring back our borders. We will bring back our wealth. And we will bring back our dreams."

Nostalgia works for some Americans, but not all.

"If you're an African-American, 50 years ago doesn't seem so great to you," said Michael Gerson, a former speechwriter for President George W. Bush and a frequent Trump critic. "You need some kind of vision for a future America."

The new president "amplifies resentments" in the name of pursuing change, said Gerson. "It's always us vs. them."

Trump did directly take on the nation's modern security challenges by giving a blanket promise to "eradicate completely from the face of the earth" the scourge of "Radical Islamic Terrorism" - a capitalized phrase that the Obama administration refused even to utter.

But he's given few details about how he'll do that.

Granted, inaugurals aren't meant to be wonky policy speeches. But they must be backed by a plan of action to have oomph.

As the new president took office, whitehouse.gov was filling up with policy pages that were long on broad goals and light on specifics.

And the question marks about his policies on taxes, trade, immigration, terrorism and more are magnified by the sometimes contradictory policy pronouncements coming from his Cabinet nominees.

The uncertainty about Trump also stems from his own shifts in tone.

Sen. Chris Murphy, D-Conn., said Trump's luncheon speech in the Capitol immediately after his inaugural address was considerably more conciliatory.

"When he's in front of a crowd, he's going to roar populism, and then when he's inside the Capitol, he's going to buddy up to folks and say we can all work together," Murphy said. "The question is, where does governance land? Where his inaugural speech was, or where his lunch speech was?"

Going into Friday's inaugural address, Trump already had a lot of work to do to rally the nation behind him.

Just 40 percent of Americans have a favorable view of him, far lower than any other president-elect's popularity since at least the 1970s, according to a Washington Post/ABC News poll.

And if he can't deliver on the bold promises of his inaugural, he'll lose those he does have in his corner.

"The speech is notable for laying down very specific markers by which his presidency will be assessed," says Kathleen Hall Jamieson, a communications professor and director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania. "The categorical nature of those markers is going to be problematic for him."

Gingrich put it more bluntly:

"If he keeps us safe and creates jobs, he will almost certainly be re-elected. If he can't do those things, he's in deep trouble."

Associated Press writer Mary Claire Jalonick contributed to this report.



From L to R : Alaye Washington, Lachrisa Holcomb, Rupe Russe, Brtittany Mapp, Tyler Walker, Destin Alexander, Erim Akpan, Anthony Smith

NCCU Students Participate in United Way Competition

Approximately 17 North Carolina Central University students competed in the United Way of the Greater Triangle's Idea Generation Next: College Edition. The pitch competition encourages and promotes college students to share ideas that address social issues of local communities.

During the competition, students learn about the challenges of local communities and work with area business professionals and entrepreneurs to refine their ideas for community improvements. Students who win the final round of the pitch competition receive funding and support to implement their ideas.

During the initial idea-proposal phase of the competition, sophomore criminal justice major Tyler Walker won the People's Choice Award, along with a \$250 prize for his presentation on mentoring and tuition assistance.

Following the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Pitch Competition on Jan. 16, four NCCU students - Walker, Destiny Alexander, Sean Jenkins and Alaye Washington - were selected to proceed to the next round. They are being paired with mentors to develop business plans and sharpen their presentation skills in preparation for the final pitch event that takes place on Feb. 24 for a \$30,000 prize pool.

The United Way of the Greater Triangle calls the program an opportunity to hear student creative ideas, foster teamwork, support the entrepreneurial spirit of the Triangle, and help build a future generation of leaders.

"NCCU is honored to have the United Way of the Greater Triangle provide this outlet for our students to share innovative responses to some of the challenges that face our community," said Calleen Herbert, interim director of NCCU's Academic Community Service Learning Program.

North Carolina State University, Shaw University, Saint Augustine's University, Wake Technical Community College and William Peace University also participated in the initiative.

Thousands in Atlanta protest Trump while dodging rainfall

By Don Schanche Jr.

ATLANTA (AP) - Thousands of protesters gathered Jan. 21 amid intermittent downpours in Atlanta to join their voices with others nationwide and tell the nation's new president they oppose much of what he says he plans to do.

The march objecting to the rhetoric and policies of President Donald Trump was one of many around the country, with the largest expected in Washington, D.C.

Diane Lent, 66, came about 90 miles from her home in rural Habersham County to stand with her daughter Alicia Lent amid the crowd that huddled under umbrellas before the skies cleared in mid-afternoon.

"I'm a woman, I'm a mother, I'm a grandmother - and I believe in justice, and I think we need to stand up for what we believe in," the elder Lent said.

Lent said she's concerned about how education will fare under the Trump administration, and she's worried about his Cabinet appointees.

During the campaign, she was stunned at the ways Trump referred to women.

"I was horrified, just horrified that we've come to that point in time again," Lent said.

She said she marched for social justice in the 1960s.

"I thought we were past that," she said.

Janelle Yamarick, executive director of Atlanta's Feminist Women's Health Center, stood with about 50 women, many wearing the knitted pink hats favored by demonstrators.

"We're here for the women, LGBT folks, the immigrants, the refugees, the low-income communities that we serve," Yamarick said.

She said the repeal of President Barack Obama's signature health care reforms tops the list of her concerns.

"When insurance allows for women to get their preventive services and their birth control included, it's a big concern when that's going to be repealed with no replacement," she said.

Susan Nahmias, 65, stood with the Feminist Women's Health Center crowd.

"I am here because of my fear for women's rights on all levels with our new president," she said.

Nahmias said she wanted to show solidarity as a privileged white woman with all those who are not privileged, "who are likely to increase in coming years."

"I'm Swedish originally," Nahmias said. "I came here 30 years ago. I've never been so close to leaving - but I won't. This is one of the things I will do try to make us survive the coming years."

The demonstration billed as the Atlanta March for Social Justice and Women was sponsored by multiple groups including the ACLU of Georgia, the NAACP, Georgia Equality and Planned Parenthood.